# WINDBUSTERS

# February 2022

The above photo approaching Guadalupe Peak was taken by Justin Harrison.

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# **MOUNTAIN BIKING** – Stephen Mitchell

Over the last 3 years, the clubs Mountain Biking community has experienced significant growth. The PBBA now has two bike parks to manage. It has become necessary to spread out the responsibility. I had several members respond to my requests for help. We all met in early January (which included our new President and Vice President, Eric and Jason) and we divided out different responsibilities. The list below shows how we structured management for 2022.

Mountain Bike Director - Stephen Mitchell

Odessa Mountain Bike Park Manager – Dustin Greenlee

Midland Trail Park Manager - Stephen Mitchell; Assistant Manager - Justin Thompson

Racing – Eric Burkhart

Special programs / Clinics – Jason Haislip

Adopt a Trail Pilot program OMBP – Jack Henry

Several other members provided valuable input at the meeting and additionally volunteered to help anytime they could. This included Isaac Navarrete, Jeff Ledford, Dan Saxton, Oscar Salazar, Houston Gary, Cameron Hamer, and Landy Adkins. In the next few weeks, Peyton's Race Team and Vim Racing intend to have a joint workday at the OMBP. PBBA members will be notified. Please try to come help for a couple hours. Eric plans to start organizing some races this spring. Dan offered to help with timing the races. Jason also plans to provide a skills clinic and a general bike maintenance clinic. We will soon start scheduling some local group rides as well as some out-of-town destination rides. I am looking forward to a more social 2022.

#### Midland Trail Park Update:

Jared Quirk arrived in Midland on Monday and started working on the trails first thing Tuesday Morning. We had a group ride through the park Tuesday afternoon and examined where we need improvements including new berms, new lines, and new features. Recently 12 truckloads of good dirt hauled in for the Jump line and for features in the skills park. Thank you, Adrian Perez, for donating the dirt. Please be aware that there will be some heavy equipment operating within the park and on the trails over the next 5-6 weeks. The trails at the park will be even more fun in just a few more weeks!



Karla, Isai, Yurianna, Omar and Omar Jr. are pictured presenting toys to the Boys & Girls Club. Toys were donated by riders at the Christmas Light Ride.





Tentatively planning The local Polar Bear Pedal for Saturday, February 26. This will be a social, fun ride. This is your chance to wear some cold weather gear. More information will be forthcoming by email and Facebook.

#### **February Meeting**

PBBA meeting Monday, February 7, 6:30pm

Location is to be announced.



This is a ride list compiled by Kye King a couple of years ago listing local rides that can be planned. New rides could also be initiated. Is there a ride that you would be willing to lead with the support and help of other PBBA members? Please contact a PBBA officer if you are willing to help.

#### PERMIAN BASIN BICYCLE ASSOCIATION

DATE	DESCRIPTION	RIDE LEADER
January	Friendship Ride	
February	Coahoma Gravel/Road Rides	
March	Valley View/Coffee Ride	
March	Round up MTB Park/Road Ride	
March	Tamale Ride	
April	Fort Davis to Balmorhea Ride	
April	Rockstacker MTB Park	
Мау	Police Memorial Ride	
May	Ride of Silence	
May	Junction Ride	
May	Memorial Day Ride	
June	Watermelon Ride	
July	MS-150 (MIDLAND, LAMESA , LUB- BOCK)	
August	Ruidoso Ride	
September 17th- 19th	Cyclefest	
October	Moonlight Ride/ Monahans Sandhills	
October	Big Bend Ride	
November	Veterans Day Ride	
December	Christmas Light Ride	

#### **Annual Rides**



The following rides have dates listed at Wheelbrothers.com. There are many more rides listed as TBA (to be announced); therefore, check the site for current ride information, links and opportunities. This is just a few of the many rides listed. Check out Wheelbrothers.com to see a more complete list.

Pedaling the Prairie/ February 26/ Hempstead Steam n Wheels/ TBA/ Abilene LBJ 100/ April2/ Stonewall Easter Hill Country Ride April 15-16 / Kerrville Beat the Street for Little Feet/ May 7/ Sweetwater Possum Pedal Ride/ June 4/ Graham Tour de Gap/ July 23-24/ Buffalo Gap Hotter n Hell Hundred / August 26-28/ Witchita Falls Hale on Wheels / September 10/ Plainview Fort Davis Cyclefest/ Sept 17/ Fort Davis

## Have you joined or renewed your membership for 2022?

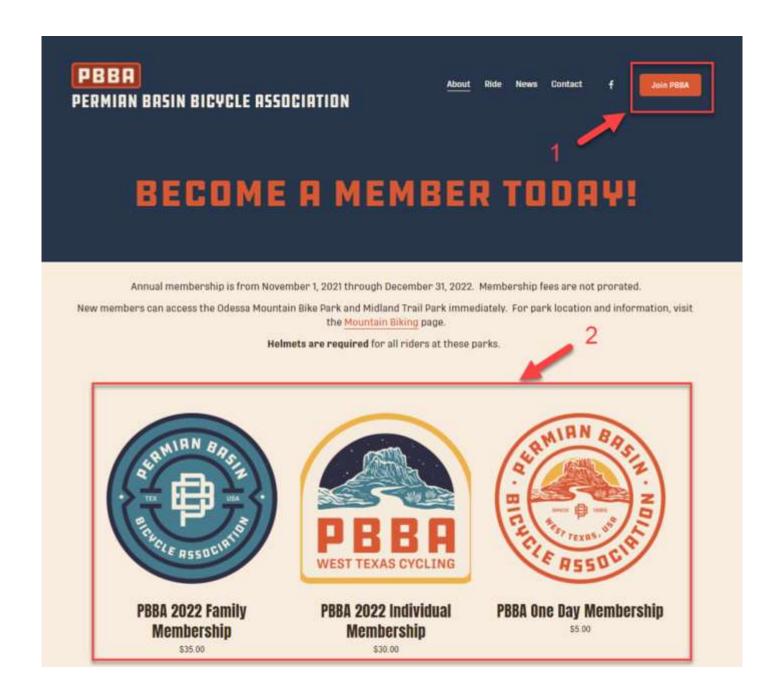
- Go to <u>www.pbbatx.com/join</u> or hit the "Join PBBA" button from anywhere on the website
- 2) Select the type of membership you would like to purchase

Family: Annual; Immediate Family only - minimum 2 / maximum 5 members

Individual: Annual; one member

**One Day**: Single day access to the mountain bike parks for one person

3) Complete the membership information form, and submit payment





#### Event by Cornerstone Christian School, Peyton's Bikes San Angelo and Beat the Street for Little Feet - Sweetwater

www.raceentry.com/races/beat-the-street-for-little-feet/2022/register

It's our 10th annual Beat the Street for Little Feet benefiting Cornerstone Christian School! The event includes: a Half Marathon, 10K Run, 5K Run, 71-Mile Bike Race, 49-Mile Bike Race, and 33-Mile Bike Race. Come spend the morning with us and enjoy great exercise fun!

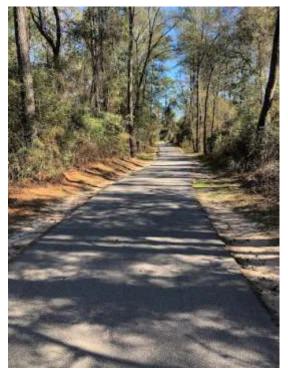
\*Participants registering BEFORE 4/22/2022 will be guaranteed a shirt.

\*\*Cash prizes will be awarded!\*\*



Rattlesnake Gravel Grind will be 6/17-18 /22 . 32 Mile, 66 Mile, and 111 Mile that will begin and end at the Lake Sweetwater Municipal Campground It will benefit the Volunteer Fire Departments of Nolan County. The Jaycees that put on the Worlds Largest Rattlesnake Roundup, The Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce, and Coors are the three main sponsors of the event. We will have free beer, live music, and BBQ at the park after the event for all participants.





### THE SPRING CREEK GREENWAY

I visit Spring, Texas north of Houston frequently because my sister lives there. The weather during the winter can be pleasant and warm. The heat and humidity of summer can make cycling less pleasant. I enjoyed my first ride on the Spring Creek Greenway in January. It is a ten foot wide paved trail nearly 20 miles long which is shared with walkers. There is also a horse trail paralleling the paved trail and I seem to remember some signage of horse crossings although I did not see any horses. The paved trail goes through parks. Near the parks there are more dog walkers and children on scooters that riders need to watch out for. I did see one ghost bike indicating that a rider had been killed. Cyclists do need to watch as the trail passes through parks and across park roads. I started at the Dennis Johnston Park and rode south. The trail was well maintained and very enjoyable.

#### **Parking and Trail Access**

The SCG can be accessed at U.S. 59 near the San Jacinto River and via the parks along its length, including: Jesse H. Jones Park & Nature Center- 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, TX Carter Park - 7221 Treaschwig Rd, Spring, TX Pundt Park - 4129 Spring Creek Dr, Spring, TX Dennis Johnston Park 709 - Riley Fuzzel Rd, Spring, TX

